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From: Holst, Linda
Sent: Mon 6/29/2015 9:23:29 PM
Subject: FW: Leech Lake Tribe TAS application

From: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA) [mailto:katrina.kessler@state.mn.us]
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2015 4:20 PM
To: Wester, Barbara
Cc: Holst, Linda; Pfeifer, David
Subject: RE: Leech Lake Tribe TAS application

Thank you all for the information and to Linda for the voicemail. This will be useful to consider as we continue discussions with Leech Lake. I may follow up with you in the next month about potential options related to Minnesota's wild rice sulfate standard going forward. In short, Leech Lake would like the MPCA to exclude all waters on the reservation from any changes to the wild rice sulfate standard. We want to be respectful of their desire and their jurisdiction but are struggling how to best do that in the absence of TAS. So I may in touch soon.

Thanks again!

Katrina

From: Wester, Barbara [mailto:wester.barbara@epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, June 29, 2015 2:55 PM
To: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA)
Cc: Holst, Linda; Pfeifer, David
Subject: Re: Leech Lake Tribe TAS application

hi katrina - while we understand that LLBO is currently working on an application for treatment in a similar manner as a state for water quality standards, they have no pending application in front of EPA. the tribe submitted an application many years ago which the agency determined as inactive. there is a set of draft water quality standards that was begun to be developed at the time of that application and i believe this draft remains in our files. we would be able to send a copy of that to you. i will work with linda and dave on that. barbara

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Hi Barbara: I am contacting you in hopes that you can forward me the Leech Lake Treatment as a State application. We are working with Leech Lake with regards to specific questions about Minnesota's 10 mg/L sulfate wild rice standard. During a recent meeting Leech Lake indicated they anticipate EPA approval of their TAS application soon and that the application includes a proposed 10 mg/L sulfate standard for wild rice waters within their reservation. To inform future discussions on this topic it would be very helpful to have a copy of the TAS application. Any light you could shed on an estimated timeframe for approval would also be much appreciated.

Many thanks!
Katrina

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From: Holst, Linda [<mailto:holst.linda@epa.gov>]
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To: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA); Pfeifer, David
Subject: RE: Leech Lake Tribe TAS application

According to our State and Tribal Programs Branch, Barbara Wester in our Office of Regional Counsel received a similar request from a different party. She is sorting through documents and determining what's relevant. She's out this week but back in next week. Can it wait until then?

From: Kessler, Katrina (MPCA) [<mailto:katrina.kessler@state.mn.us>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 23, 2015 4:17 PM
To: Holst, Linda; Pfeifer, David
Subject: Leech Lake Tribe TAS application

Hi Linda and Dave:

Hopefully your summer is starting off well. We are still reeling a bit from the end of the "special" MN legislative session here things are starting to settle down. That said, today is the last ever meeting of the MPCA Citizen's Board so it is a bit of circus here. I'm contacting you to see if I can get a copy of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe's CWA 303 Treatment as a State Application. If you two are not the correct contacts, will you kindly forward my request to someone in your shop who is?

Many thanks!
Katrina

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